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# Land Grant Application- Thayer, Peter (Oxford)

Peter Thayer

Ruth Thayer

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248,  
Ruth Thayer, widow of  
Peter Thayer.

Not found on the Rolls. No  
evidence adduced in support  
of claim, & it is consequently  
Rejected.

Rec<sup>d</sup>. June 16. 1835.

Not on Rolls (certain)  
No evidence,

Thomas Clark, agent.

I Ruth Thayer. of Oxford, in the county of Oxford, and State of Maine, aged nearly 84 years do, upon oath declare, in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 17, 1835. entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers" that I am the widow of Peter Thayer. late of Shepherdfield, <sup>now Oxford, in</sup> the county of Oxford, and State of Maine, who died at said Shepherdfield on the 2d day of February A.D. 1780.. That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband Peter Thayer <sup>but the term of enlistment ~~was~~ I do not know, presume it was three years</sup> did enlist into the service of the United States in the Massachusetts line; he was in the battle of Lexington in April, in the year 1775: and was in the service, from that time or soon after, until the year 1776 in which year he was in the battle of Monmouth, on the 20th day of June - and I verily believe and have no doubt, that he was in the service of his country for the full term of three years or more. but from the length of time he has been dead, I have no recollection of the names of the officers under whom he served, but think I understood from him that he was in a company commanded by Capt. Hailow. He was, after the battle of Monmouth, for a long time an invalid at the Hospital - and came home sick on a furlough without a written discharge. I do further on oath declare, that I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband Peter Thayer was at the time of his enlistment, an inhabitant of Plympton in the county of Plymouth, Massachusetts. : and that I do know that he was at the time of his decease as aforesaid, an inhabitant of the District of Maine, residing in Shepherdfield, now Oxford, where he had resided for nearly six years before his decease. That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that neither my said late husband, nor any one claiming under him did receive, [nor have I received since his decease,] a grant of land or money in lieu thereof, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for his said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary war, and that I am therefore justly entitled to the full benefit of said Resolve.

attest  
Thomas Clark

Ruth Thayer

State of Maine, Oxford ss. Subscribed and sworn to this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1835. Before me

Thomas Clark Justice of the Peace.



State of Maine.

Oxford ss. I the subscriber, Judge of Probate, within and for the county of Oxford, do hereby certify, that satisfactory evidence has been adduced to me, that Ruth Thayer, by whom the foregoing declaration was made, was the lawful wife, and is now the widow of Peter Thayer late of Shepleyfield in the county of Oxford, deceased, said plantation being now Hebron & Oxford.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 13th day of June A.D. 1835.

Stephen Emery

I know all men by these presents, That I Ruth Thayer of Oxford in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the foregoing declaration was made do hereby constitute and appoint Thomas Crocker of Paris, my true and lawful Attorney, for me and in my name to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers", to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate, for me and in my name, to execute such receipt or acknowledgment therefor, as I might, were I personally present. Hereby ratifying and confirming whatever my said Attorney shall do by virtue hereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 13th day of June A.D. 1835

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of  
Thomas Clark

Ruth Thayer

State of Maine.

Oxford ss.

Be it known, that on this 13th day of June 1835, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, for said county, personally appeared Ruth Thayer, above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney, by her signed, to be her free act and deed.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name the day and year last above mentioned.

Thomas Clark Justice of the Peace.